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BAN ON IMPORT OF ELECTRONIC WASTE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether electronic scrap sent from England is being recycled in the country releasing both permanent pollution and irreversible health damage; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to ban such import in public interest?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) and (b) Electronic scrap is included under List A & List B of Schedule-3 of the Hazardous Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 as amended from time to time. The import of this waste therefore requires specific permission of the Ministry of Environment & Forests. No such permission has been given to any authority or person by the Ministry till date.